



January 2025

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB

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Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting:

When: Thursday January 2, 2025 at 7:30PM.

**Where: Foundry United Methodist Church
2801 Virginia Beach Boulevard
Virginia Beach, VA 23452**

Upcoming Events:

1/2 – General Membership Meeting.

***Speakers: (1) Russell Willoughby AKA The Crappie Slayer.
Russell will speak on Crappie fishing in the early season.**

**(2) Shannon Ferguson AKA The Prince of Surf.
Shannon will speak on how to “read the surf” to better
your chances and increase your catch.**

***Don't forget to bring your 2025 dues! \$40.00.**

***The 2025 Roulette contest is available this meeting! \$20.
See Ike Eisenhower.**

1/16 – January Board Meeting.

1/31 to 2/2 – Mid-Atlantic Boat Show.

**Russell Willoughby heads this event and is always in
need of volunteers. Please call him to work a few hours
and enjoy the fellowship and take a look at the new things
for 2025. 757-818-0058.**

2/6 – General Membership Meeting.

VBAC Fishing Roulette 2024 Winners

<u>Species</u>	<u>Angler</u>	<u>Weight</u>
Black Drum	Shannon Ferguson	22 lb.
Puppy Drum	Shannon Ferguson	7 lb. 4 oz.
Bowfin	Preston Mangum	6 lb.

Roulette Submissions
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Catch-A-Ride

Please use new Facebook connection space.

- 1) Sign into your Facebook page.
- 2) On your Home Page, go to “Groups”.
- 3) Go to the “Search Groups” section of your Facebook page.
- 4) Type in “VBAC Fishing Crews”.
- 5) When the site comes up, click the “Join” button.
- 6) Site Administration will approve your request within 24 hours.
- 7) Thereafter, the site will be listed in your “Groups” section so you can easily reach it afterwards. You can answer an existing post for anglers or post your availability as an angler or boat captain and date of availability.

VBAC 2025 Club Calendar

Virginia Beach Angler's Club 2025 Planning Calendar

JANUARY	2	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	16	BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY	1/31 1-2	MID ATLANTIC BOAT SHOW
	6	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	20	BOARD MEETING
	22	VBAC AWARDS BANQUET
MARCH	1	GREAT BRIDGE FISHERNAM'S FLEA MARKET
	6	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	15	VBAC CRAPPIE TOURNAMENT
	20	BOARD MEETING
	22	US COAST GUARD BOATING SAFETY COURSE
APRIL	3	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	5	CRAB CREEK CLEANUP
	12	LEAD POURING PARTY
	17	BOARD MEETING
	26	ANNUAL FISH FRY
MAY	1	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	1-2-3	OCRACOE INVITATIONAL FISHING TOURNAMENT
	3	CRAB CREEK CLEANUP
	15	BOARD MEETING
	17	VBAC INTRA CLUB SURF FISHING - QUALIFIER -SANDBRIDGE
JUNE	5	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	7	OBX RETREAT AND MARK WRAY TOURNAMENT
	14	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP (CLEAN THE BAY DAY)
	19	BOARD MEETING
	21	SETON YOUTH FISHING TRIP
	26	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	28	CLUB SPONSORED CHARTER FISH TRIP

VBAC 2025 Club Calendar

JULY	3	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	10	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	12	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	17	BOARD MEETING
	19	VBAC INTRA CLUB SURF FISHING QUALIFER
	24	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
AUGUST	7	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	7	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
	9	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	21	BOARD MEETING
	21	FISH AND WILDLIFE KIDS SURF FISHING CLINIC
SEPTEMBER	4-5-6	HATTERAS VILLAGE INVITATIONAL - SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	4	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	6	CRAB CREEK CLEAN UP
	13	HUNT FOR HARD HEAD'S
	18	BOARD MEETING
	20	STAN SUTLIFF MEMORIAL FISHING TOURNAMENT
OCTOBER	2	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	9-10-11	NAGS HEAD SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	16	BOARD MEETING
	18	FALL OYSTER ROAST
NOVEMBER	6	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
	6-7-8	CAPE HATERAS ANGLERS CLUB INVITATIONAL - SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT
	20	BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER	4	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
		HOLIDAY PARTY
		GENERAL ELECTIONS
	18	BOARD MEETING

Prize Fish

2024 Prize Fish Leaders for December

Freshwater Catch

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Bowfin	Preston Mangum	5/16/24	6 lb.	Blackwater

Freshwater Release

Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location
Black Crappie (9)	Ike Eisenhower	3/12/24	15.5 in.	Lake Smith
Chain Pickerel	Ike Eisenhower	2/15/24	22.75 in.	Lake Smith
White Perch	Russell Willoughby	5/17/24	10 in	North Landing River
Largemouth Bass	Russell Willoughby	5/22/24	18.25 in	Blackwater Creek
Long Nosed Gar	Melanie Bayford	7/29/24	43 in	Piankatank River
Bowfin	Melanie Bayford	11/27/24	24 in	Piankatank River

Saltwater Catch

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Black Seabass (4)	David Smith	2/22/24	4 lb. 2 oz.	Offshore VB
Puppy Drum (2)	David Smith	4/2/24	7 lb. 1 oz.	Rudee Inlet
Spiny Dogfish	Alex Ramos	4/7/24	8 lb. 7 oz.	Ramp 72 Ocracoke, NC
Bluefish	Shannon Ferguson	4/26/24	10 lb. 1 oz.	Rodanthe, NC
Speckled Trout (8)	David Smith	12/2/24	6 lb. 8 oz.	Rudee Inlet
Black Drum	Shannon Ferguson	5/5/24	20 lbs.	Chincoteague Beach
Spadefish	Lou Corigliano	6/7/24	8 lbs.	Chesapeake Light Tower
Spot	Randy Whitman	8/26/24	12 oz.	Broad Bay, Lynnhaven River
Flounder	Robert Oliver	7/21/24	5 lbs. 10 oz.	CBBT High Rise
Cobia	David J. Smith	8/28/24	32 lbs. 4 oz.	CBBT
Roundhead	Micki Walsh	4/29/24	2 lbs. 5 oz.	Ocracoke Island, NC
Pompano	Kelly Hoggard	6/2/24	3 lbs. 6 oz.	Frisco Beach, NC

Prize Fish

Saltwater Release

Species	Angler	Date	Length	Location
Red Drum	Alex Ramos	10/7/24	50.50 in.	Sandbridge
Shark	Kelly Hoggard	4/7/24	104 in.	Cape Hatteras Point, NC
Bluefish	Shannon Ferguson	5/20/24	35 in.	Back Bay WLR
Striped Bass	Shannon Ferguson	5/6/24	34 in.	Chincoteague Beach
Cobia	Michael Anderson	5/28/24	47 in.	Chesapeake Bay
Flounder	Frank Maccarelli	11/1/24	22.75 in.	Rudee Inlet
Spot	Leslie Anderson	6/12/24	9 in.	Lynnhaven
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard	5/17/24	18 in.	Sandbridge
Pompano	Kelly Hoggard	6/2/24	17 in.	Frisco Beach, NC
Croaker	Mike Anderson	8/28/24	10.75 in.	Lynnhaven River
Speckled Trout	Roger Bonnifield	4/24/24	24 in.	Elizabeth River
Grey Triggerfish	Kelly Hoggard	7/21/24	15 in.	Anglo-African Wreck
Black Seabass	Liam Schramm	10/8/24	18.5 in.	The Garrison (offshore VB)

Roulette Leaders

Species	Angler	Date	Weight	Location
Puppy Drum	Shannon Ferguson	10/18/24	7 lbs. 4oz.	Rudee Inlet
Bowfin	Preston Mangum	5/16/24	6 lbs.	Blackwater Creek
Black Drum	Shannon Ferguson	5/5/24	22 lbs.	Chincoteague Beach

Submitted 12/30/24

This Month's Knot



Clinch Knot



1. Bring the free end of the line up through the eye of the hook. Give yourself about a foot of free line on top to work with.



2. Take the free end back, behind and then under the straight line.



3. Bring the free end back over the top to form a full loop. Keep loops fairly loose at this point.



5. With the free end coming from the bottom of a turn, pass it between the eye and the first loop.



4. Continue looping the free end around the straight line in the same direction. Form about four loops.



6. Slowly pull out all slack. Then pull tightly and trim off the end.

A clinch knot is used to tie a fishing line to a hook, lure, or swivel. It's a good choice for monofilament or fluorocarbon fishing line.

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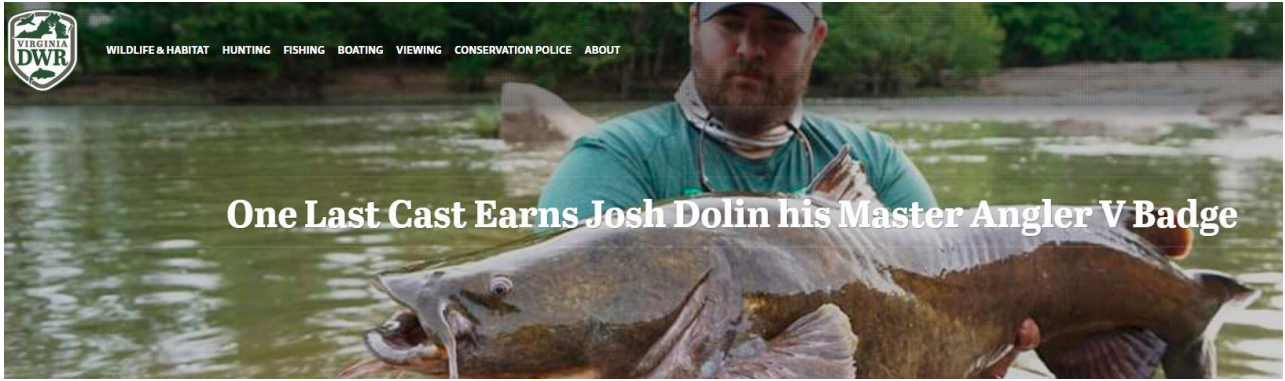


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Committees

2025 Virginia Beach Anglers Club Committees:

<u>Boat Show:</u>	<u>Chair - Russell Willoughby</u>
<u>Calendar:</u>	<u>Chair – Ronnie Nixon</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Shannon Ferguson</u>
<u>Crab Creek Clean-Up:</u>	<u>Chair – Ronnie Nixon</u>
<u>Great Bridge Flea Market:</u>	<u>Chair – Preston Mangum</u>
<u>Banquet/Oyster Roast:</u>	<u>Chair – Patty Searby</u>
<u>Seton Youth:</u>	<u>Chair – Shannon Ferguson</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Bob Burstein</u>
<u>Raffle:</u>	<u>Chair – Aaron Walker</u>
<u>Audit Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Mike Anderson</u>
<u>Surf Tournaments:</u>	<u>Chair – Kelly Hoggard</u>
<u>Club Tournaments:</u>	<u>Chair – Bob Burstein</u>
<u>Prize Fish:</u>	<u>Chair – Ike Eisenhower</u>
<u>Nomination Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Russell Willoughby</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Patty Searby</u>
<u>Conservation and Regulations:</u>	<u>Chair – Butch Eason</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Kelly Hoggard</u>
<u>T-Shirt Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Patty Searby</u>



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Business Card size ad: \$10.00 per month, Yearly cost \$120.00 with 13th month free.

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You must provide the artwork to be used. A business card can suffice.

Your remittance to the club can be in the form of cash, check, or by donation of goods or services in the amount of your advertising cost.

VBAC Advertising Form

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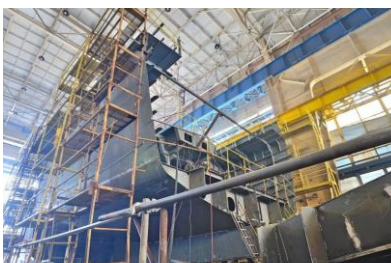


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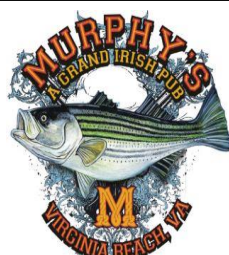
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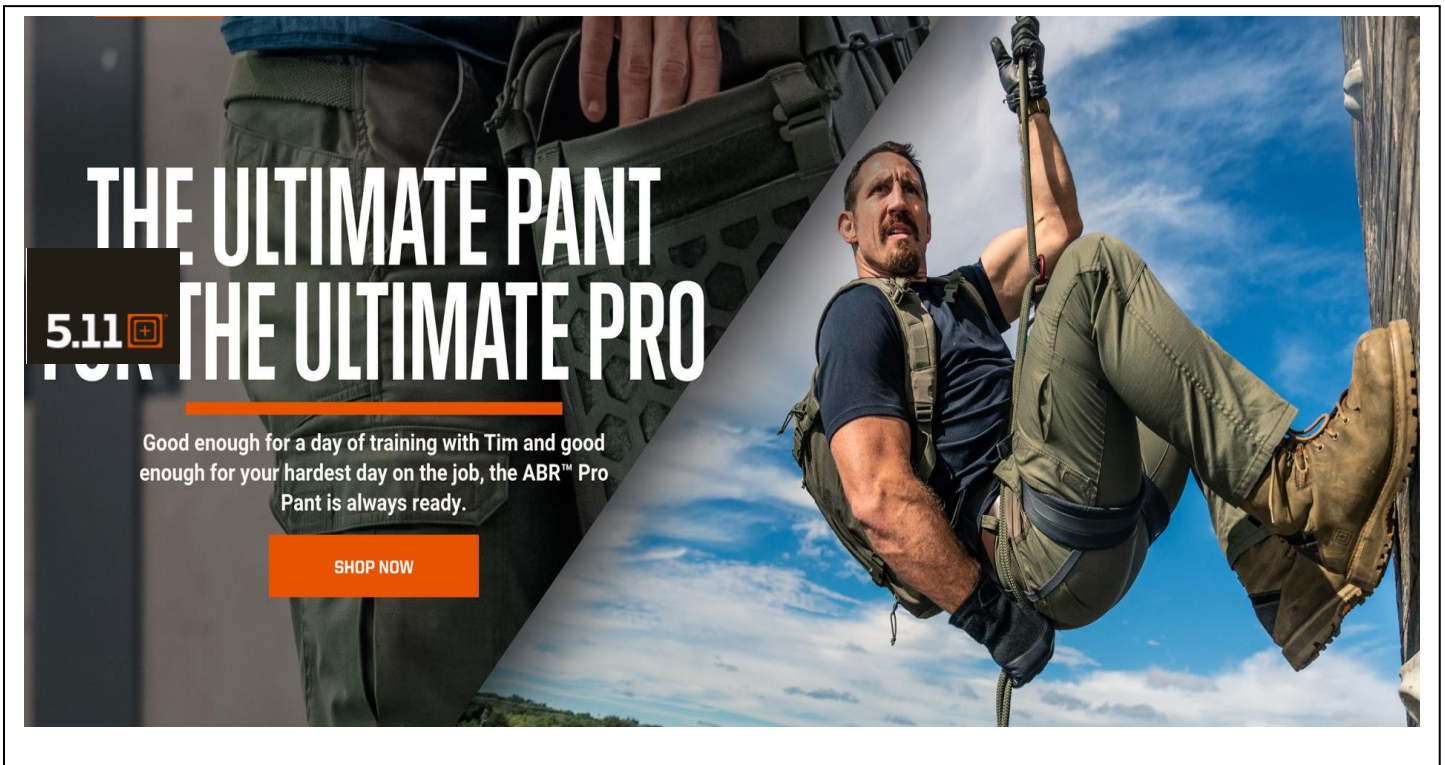
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Our Objectives:

- ❖ Monitor legislative and regulatory activities relating to management of local and regional fisheries and participating actively, where appropriate, to assure the adoption of sound management policy and practices that best serve the interests of VBAC members.
- ❖ Promote interest and participation in recreational angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
- ❖ Educate members and others in the techniques of sport fishing to enhance their enjoyment of the sport.
- ❖ Conduct social activities that create a wholesome climate for deriving the maximum pleasure from sport fishing by members, their families and guests.
- ❖ Plan and conduct fund raising activities to provide the revenues needed to support these objectives.

2025 VBAC Elected Officials

Officers:

President: Bob Burstein

First Vice President: Richard Califf

Second Vice President: Tom Morgan

Treasurer: Mike Anderson

Recording Secretary: Russell Willoughby

Corresponding Secretary: Lou Corigliano

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